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1 After Flath and Zarkov Escape being thrown into the flery Lamp of Mars, they return to the clay men's cave just in time to hear the clay king threaten Dale and "Happy" with death.

# FLASH GORDON ESCAPES FROM THE TREE MEN

This is LOOK'S second of three installments picturing the new Universal serial film. "Flash Cordon's Trip to Mars," in which Buster Crabbe stars.

Flash Gordon, his fiancee, Dale Arden; a scientist, Dr. Zarkov; and a newspaper photographer, "Happy," have gone to Mars to wreck a giant lamp which is destroying the earth by drawing away the nitrogen from the earth's atmosphere.

Dale and "Happy" are held captives by a race called the clay men. Flash and Zarkov have just escaped execution by Emperor Ming of the mythical planet, Mongo. With Queen Axura of Mars, Ming plots to rule the universe.



2 "Flash Gordon Has Betrayed Us and You," the clay king tells Dale (Jean Rogers) and "Happy" (Donald Kerr). The king warns the two that unless Flash returns within 24 hours, they will be turned into clay, "never to see the sun again."



Realizing They Must Try Again to capture the queen, Flash and Zarkov (Frank Shannon), slip away unseen, discover a secret vacuum railway and enter one of the cars. The railway leads to the laboratory in Queen Agura's great pulsee.



4 Zarkov Builds a New Weapon and tries it out on Flash after the two overpower the queen's laboratory guard. Unknown to Zarkov, however, the crafty

Ming (Charles Middleton) and Azura (Beatrice Roberts) are watching through a television set. They see him paralyze Flash with the new machine.



5 Though the Paralyxing Gun Kept Flash Rigid while Ming rushed in and captured Zarkov, the scientist managed to turn a lever which again freed Flash, who now seizes the weapon and turns it on Ming. Zarkov has



6 When Flash Convinces the clay king that he is still fighting Azura, the king advises him to get help from the forest people, or tree men. These men, however, believe Flash is an enemy, and attack his reunited party.



Z A Brawny Stranger appears during the bettle with the tree men, and as Flash is about to attack him, he learns the stranger, Prince Barin (Richard Alexander) of Mongo, seeks to help him. Barin is an enemy of the wily Ming.



8 Only the Great Strength of Flash and the prince enable them to overcome the tree men, who now are furious because Flash has found.

supphire belonging to them. With this black supphire, Flash will be able to overcome the magic of Azura's white supphire when he returns to her pulace.

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Confronted By the Black Sapphire, Azura submits to capture by Flash, who has reached her palace through another secret passage. She knows this jewel destroys her power. Flash then directs Prince Barin to take Azura to the clay king, while Flash remains behind to destroy the giant Lamp of Mars, which has been repaired.



10 Ming Is Waiting for Flash, however, and with the help of Taram helplers and alone, into a small metal room. Ming twists a dial
suisde and fills the room with deadly electrical discharges. Once
sagin Flash seems defeated. How can he possibly excape?

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### FLASH GORDON Returns to Earth

This is LOOK's concluding installment of the 15episode serial, "Flash Gordon's Trip to Mars," a Universal picture starring Buster Crabbe.

Flash Gordon (Buster Crabbe); his fiance, Dale Arden (Jean Rogers); with the scientist, Dr. Zarkov, and a newspaperman, "Happy," have rone

to Mars in a rocket to wreck the Lamp of Mars, which is destroying the earth. In the previous installment, the cvil Emperor Ming trapped Flash in the palace powerhouse after Flash and his friends had captured Queen Azura by the aid of a magical black sapphire. Now go on with the story.



I Flash Blows a Hole in the Wall of his metal prison with a nitron gun he had dropped when he was thrown, half-unconscious, into the small root of ie. He now escapes, but soon will be caught again and the magic black sanohire which gave him power will be stolen from him.



2 Queen Axura Vanishes in a Puff of Smoke. Back in the clay men's kingdom, where she had been taken after her capture, Queen Axura is just about to return the clay people to flesh and blood when she realizes her magic power has returned. She vanishes into thin air.





4 Dale Stabs Flash, After Flash again escapes from Ming, he goes back with his party to the Forest kingdom, where Dale is captured and hypnotized by her enemies, the tree men, so she stabs Flash when he tries to rescue her.



5 The Death of Queen Azura. After a further series of wild adventures during which Dale regains her senses, Flash recaptures Queen Azura. Before she is fatally wounded by Ming's bombing planes, she repents, urges him to free the clay people.



6 Flash Captures a Martian Pilot, After Azura's death, Flash single-handed turns back the Martian bombing fleet from an attack on the clay people.



Z Clay Men Become Human. Azura had asked Flash to destroy the magic sapphire. As he does so, the clay men become human.



Ming Is Killed by one of his own men when Flash reveals Ming's bombers killed Azura. The clay king becomes ruler of Mars.



9 Flash Cets a Hero's Welcome when he returns to earth after setting up the friendly clay king as Emperor of Mars and destroying the

nitrogen from the earth. Crowds cheer and sirens wall as the adventurers ride through the streets.